1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 7 VERITAS OPERATING CORPORATION, a 8 Delaware corporation, CASE NO. C06-0703-JCC 9 Plaintiff, **ORDER** 10 v. 11 MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation, 12 Defendant. 13 14 MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation, 15 Counterclaim Plaintiff, 16 v. 17 VERITAS OPERATING CORPORATION, a 18 Delaware corporation, and VERITAS SOFTWARE CORPORATION, a Delaware 19 corporation, 20 Counterclaim Defendants. 21 22 This matter comes before the Court for review of the Special Master's Report and 23 Recommendation (Dkt. No. 394) on Veritas Operating Corporation's Motion for Summary Judgment of 24 Non-infringement and Invalidity of U.S. Patent No. 5,888,147. The Court has reviewed de novo the 25 Special Master's Report and Recommendation ("R&R"), the parties' respective objections and responses 26 ORDER - 1

thereto (Dkt. Nos. 405, 410), the briefing and exhibits presented to the Special Master in the first instance, and all other relevant documents in the case file. The Court has determined that oral argument is not necessary.

The Court hereby APPROVES and ADOPTS the R&R with respect to non-infringement, APPROVES and ADOPTS the R&R with respect to invalidity in view of Guy, APPROVES and ADOPTS the R&R with respect to invalidity of asserted claims 9 and 10 in view of Purdin and Ruan, and REJECTS the R&R respecting invalidity of asserted claims 1, 3–4, 6, 8, and 13–14 in view of Purdin.

Accordingly, the Court hereby GRANTS Veritas' Motion for Summary Judgment of Non-infringement and Invalidity of U.S. Patent No. 5,588,147 (Dkt. No. 218).

SO ORDERED this 11th day of March, 2008.

John C. Coughenour

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE